Palmateer Trail #482



Recreation Opportunity Guide





Trail Highlights: This outstanding trail is in the Mount Hood Wilderness. This is a very scenic trail with several viewpoints along the way. This is a well used trail with narrow tread and level footing.

Trail Description: This trail begins at the Pacific Crest Trail #2000 (4,440') and ends at Twin Lakes Trail #495 (4,400'). To access the north end of this trail, travel south on the Pacific Crest Trail #2000 from the Barlow Pass Sno-Park 1.5 miles. Turn right (east) onto this trail (#482). The trail passes through small alpine timber for 0.2 mile to the junction with Devil's Half Acre Trail #482A (4,320'). Continue straight on this trail and travel 0.5 mile to a small alpine meadow (4,160'). A short spur trail (0.4 mile) on the east side of the meadow takes you to the Palmateer Point viewpoint (4,400'). From here you can see Mount Hood and the Barlow Creek Drainage. From the meadow, the trail continues south 0.1 mile and crosses Palmateer Creek. This creek is typically dry by late summer. After 0.4 mile the trail reaches a junction with Twin Lakes Trail #495 (4,320'). Continue straight on this trail 0.3 mile to an outstanding viewpoint (4,480'). The trail begins to cross a steep side slope here for 0.5 mile to the end of the trail at Upper Twin Lake. Visitors can return the same way (7.8 miles total) or make a loop by turning right (north) onto Twin Lakes Trail #495 and travelling 1.6 miles to the Pacific Crest Trail #2000. Turn right (north) onto #2000 and travel 2 miles back to the Barlow Pass Sno-Park Trailhead.

Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

- Wilderness Permits are required between May 15 and Oct 15.
- For example, 3 people riding their own horse plus a spare horse in the group for packing would make a group of 7.

Leave No Trace

- Plan Ahead and Prepare: Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies.
- > Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces: Use established trails and campsites.
- Dispose of Waste Properly: Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Leave What You Find: Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Minimize Campfire Impacts: Use established fire rings & keep fires small.
- > Respect Wildlife: Control pets at all times.
- > Be Considerate of Other Visitors: Avoid loud voices and noises.

For information on *Leave No Trace*, go to <u>www.LNT.org</u> or call 1-800-332-4100

For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood

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Directions to Trailhead: Access #1 From Portland, travel approximately 31 miles east of Sandy on US Hwy 26 to the intersection with Oregon Hwy 35. Turn north onto Oregon Hwy 35 and travel 2.6 miles to Barlow Pass Sno-Park (Forest Road 3531 – approximately 250' east of milepost 60). Take the Pacific Crest Trail #2000 south 1.5 miles to the north end of the trail.

Access #2 From Portland, follow US Hwy 26 approximately 35 miles from Sandy to Frog Lake Sno-Park at Wapinitia Pass (approximately 300' south of milepost 62). Take the Pacific Crest Trail #2000 northeast 1.5 miles to Twin Lakes Trail #495. Turn right onto trail #495 and travel 1.5 miles past Lower Twin Lakes to the south end of trail #482.





